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REPLICATION COMPETENT HEPATITIS C VIRUS AND			
<u>METHODS OF USE</u>			

COMMUNICATION and AMENDMENT REGARDING SEQUENCE LISTING

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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosure dated March 9, 2009. Applicants request that the application be amended to enter the Sequence Listing. The Sequence Listing does not contain any new matter.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.821 et seq., a computer readable form (CRF) of the Sequence Listing, which is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.824(a)(2)-(6) and (b), for the above-identified application is submitted herewith.

The Sequence Listing, in electronic form, which is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.824(a)(2)-(6) and (b), for the above-identified application is submitted herewith. Applicants respectfully submit that the electronic text file will serve as both the paper copy required by 37 CFR 1.821(c) and the CRF required by 37 CFR 1.821(e). Thus a statement under 37 CFR 1.821(f) (indicating that the paper copy and CRF copy of the sequence listing are identical) is unnecessary.

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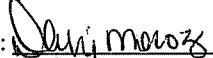
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Applicant(s) believe there is no fee due at this time. However, in the event a fee is due, please charge any fee or credit any overpayment to Account No. 13-4895.

The application should now be in condition for examination. Please direct any inquiries to the undersigned attorney.

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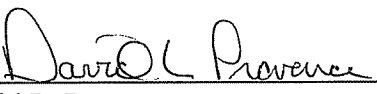
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